

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-21

Amend supervisory district boundaries to reflect annexations

Executive Summary

Ordinance Number 2011-11 adopted on September 13, 2011, and amended on November 12, 2013, established 30 supervisory districts for the purpose of electing the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors. Section (1)(b) of said ordinance directs the County Board to review annexations and detachments that have occurred since its last review, and make such adjustments to district boundaries as may be appropriate for purposes of election administration by November 15 of each odd numbered year. Cities and villages typically designate the area being annexed to the adjacent ward within their corporate limits. To assist election administration, past County Boards have amended supervisory district boundaries to conform to new corporate limits when the annexed territory is in a different supervisory district than the ward that it was assigned to by the city or village. Annexations that are in a different assembly, state senate or congressional district than the adjoining city or village ward necessitate the creation of new wards to comply with state law prohibiting wards from crossing district boundaries. Two new wards were created over the past two years that are incorporated into the proposed ordinance amendments.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2011-11 which was amended on November 12, 2013, created new supervisory district boundaries after the most recent census, and

WHEREAS, five annexations and one detachment have occurred since the last ordinance amendment on November 12, 2013, of Ordinance Number 2011-11 as set forth below:

ANNEXATIONS November 2013 to October 2015

From:			To:				
Municipality	Ward	District	Municipality	Ward	District	Population	Document #
Town of Cold Spring	1	25	City of Whitewater	11	24	0	1341244
Town of Aztalan	2	11	City of Jefferson	11	18	0	1343819, 1345614
Town of Koshkonong	6	30	City of Fort Atkinson	1	26	0	1347753
Town of Palmyra	1	22	Village of Palmyra	1	22	0	1351042
Town of Watertown	1	3	City of Watertown	19	3	2	1354901
Village of Palmyra	1	22	Town of Palmyra	1	22	0	1358845, 1358846

WHEREAS, assignment to an existing ward by the annexing municipalities necessitates a change of the supervisory districts in the Town of Aztalan, Town of Cold Spring and Town of Koshkonong to make districts conform to the municipal boundaries, and

WHEREAS, annexations necessitated the creation of ward 11 in the City of Jefferson and the creation of ward 19 in the City of Watertown.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Supervisory District Map for District 24 shall be amended to include the annexed territory previously in Supervisory District 25 prior to the annexation above; that the Supervisory District Map for District 18 shall be amended to include the annexed territory previously in Supervisory District 11 prior to the annexation above; that the Supervisory District Map for District 26 shall be amended to include the annexed territory previously in Supervisory District 30 prior to the annexation above.

Section 2. That the maps for Supervisory Districts 25, 11 and 30 shall be amended to delete the territories reassigned in Section 1.

Section 3. That Ordinance 2011-11 amended November 12, 2013 shall be amended to add City of Jefferson Ward 11 to Supervisory District 18 and City of Watertown Ward 19 to Supervisory District 3

Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective after passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted by the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors this 10th day of November 2015.

s/Jim Schroeder

Jim Schroeder

Chair

ATTEST:

s/Barbara A. Frank

Barbara A. Frank, County Clerk

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Ayes_VOICE VOTE_____ Noes_____ Abstain_____ Absent_____ Vacant_____

Requested by
Administration and Rules

11-10-15

Andy Erdman: 10/9/2015; J. Blair Ward: 10/12/15

REVIEWED: Administrator:BW; Corp. Counsel: JBW ; Finance Director: BL